

# LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Statistical Data for June 2006

Region 7

August 2006

## LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES JUNE 2006 Preliminary Unemployment Rates

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	6/06	5/06	6/05
U.S.	152,557,000	145,216,000	7,341,000	4.8%	4.4%	5.2%
INDIANA	3,301,900	3,132,300	169,600	5.1%	4.8%	5.3%
Economic Growth Region 7*	109,671	102,507	7,164	6.5%	5.7%	6.8%
Terre Haute MSA**	82,630	77,150	5,480	6.6%	6.0%	6.8%
Clay County	13,420	12,710	710	5.3%	5.0%	6.7%
Parke County	8,550	8,080	470	5.5%	5.0%	5.9%
Putnam County	18,490	17,280	1,210	6.5%	4.5%	7.0%
Sullivan County	9,390	8,845	545	5.8%	5.1%	6.7%
Vermillion County	8,235	7,685	550	6.7%	5.7%	6.8%
Vigo County	51,580	47,900	3,680	7.1%	6.5%	6.8%
Brazil City	3,890	3,660	230	5.9%	5.7%	8.9%
Clinton City	2,285	2,100	185	8.2%	8.2%	8.1%
Greencastle City	5,040	4,580	460	9.1%	4.9%	9.3%
Rockville City	1,370	1,235	135	9.9%	8.3%	10.7%
Sullivan City	1,930	1,800	130	6.8%	6.2%	7.2%
Terre Haute City	27,320	25,100	2,220	8.1%	7.4%	7.6%

\*EGR 7 includes Clay, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo counties

\*\* Terre Haute MSA includes Clay, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo counties



Surrounding States	Unemployment Rates
<u>Jun 2006</u>	(Non-seasonably adjusted)
Illinois	4.8%
Kentucky	6.1%
Michigan	6.5%
Ohio	5.2%

## REGIONAL, STATE, & METROPOLITAN UNEMPLOYMENT

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in June. Overall, 20 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate decreases, 19 states registered rate increases, and 11 states had no change, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported.

### State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Florida and South Dakota posted the lowest unemployment rates in June, 3.0 percent each. Hawaii, Nebraska, Utah, and Virginia had the next lowest rates, 3.1 percent each. The states recording the highest jobless rates were Mississippi, 7.1 percent, South Carolina, 6.7 percent, Alaska, 6.6 percent, and Michigan, 6.3 percent. In June, 17 states registered unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate, 9 states reported measurably higher rates, and 24 states and the District of Columbia had rates that were little different from that of the nation.

Unemployment rates were lower in June than a year earlier in 292 of the 367 metropolitan areas, higher in 52 areas, and unchanged in 23 areas, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported. Nineteen metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent, while three areas recorded rates of 10.0 percent or more.

### Metropolitan Division Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach, Fla., posted the lowest division unemployment rate in June, 3.1 percent.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING by COUNTY (High to Low)

<u>JUN 2006 RANK</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>JUN 2006 RATE</u>
<b>4</b>	<b>Vigo</b>	<b>7.1%</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Vermillion</b>	<b>6.7%</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Putnam</b>	<b>6.5%</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Sullivan</b>	<b>5.8%</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Parke</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
<b>39</b>	<b>Clay</b>	<b>5.3%</b>

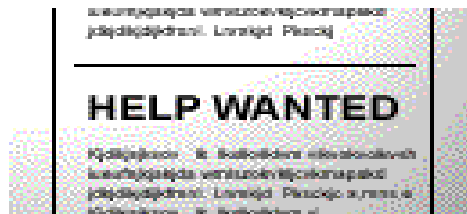
# TERRE HAUTE MSA

(Clay, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo Counties)

## WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

	Jun 2006	May 2006	Jun 2005	CHANGE FROM			
				May 2006 TO Jun 2006		Jun 2005 TO Jun 2006	
Total Nonfarm	73,700	75,300	73,200	-1,600	-2.1%	+500	+0.7%
Total Private	61,900	61,700	60,500	+200	+0.3%	+1,400	+2.3%
Goods Producing	16,300	16,000	15,900	+300	+1.9%	+400	+2.5%
Service-Providing	57,400	59,300	57,300	-1,900	-3.2%	+100	+0.2%
Private Srvc Provide	45,600	45,700	44,600	-100	-0.2%	+1,000	+2.2%
Nat. Res & Construct	3,600	3,500	3,700	+100	+2.9%	-100	-2.7%
Manufacturing	12,700	12,500	12,200	+200	+1.6%	+500	+4.1%
Trade, Transportation, Wholesale Trade	14,500	14,800	14,400	-300	-2.0%	+100	+0.7%
Retail Trade	1,700	1,700	1,700	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Trans,Warehouse, Utili	9,900	10,200	10,000	-300	-2.9%	-100	-1.0%
Information	2,900	2,900	2,700	+0	+0.0%	+200	+7.4%
Financial Activities	800	800	800	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Professional and Busin	2,700	2,700	2,700	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Educational and Health	5,300	5,200	5,100	+100	+1.9%	+200	+3.9%
Leisure and Hospitality	12,300	12,300	11,500	+0	+0.0%	+800	+7.0%
Other Services	7,100	7,000	7,200	+100	+1.4%	-100	-1.4%
Government	2,900	2,900	2,900	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Federal Government	11,800	13,600	12,700	-1,800	-13.2%	-900	-7.1%
State Government	1,600	1,500	1,500	+100	+6.7%	+100	+6.7%
Local Government	3,700	4,400	4,200	-700	-15.9%	-500	-11.9%
Local Govt Education	6,500	7,700	7,000	-1,200	-15.6%	-500	-7.1%
	3,200	4,300	3,700	-1,100	-25.6%	-500	-13.5%

NATURAL RESOURCES AND MINING EMPLOYMENT SHOWN ONLY IN TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL, PRIVATE & GOODS PRODUCING.  
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## MONTHLY COMPARISON OF UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY OFFICE TOTAL ALL CLAIMS FILED



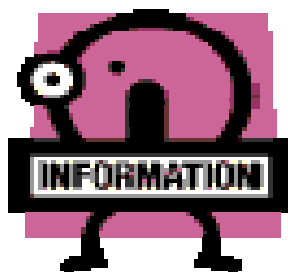
LOCAL OFFICE	June 2006 Initial Claims	June 2006 Total Claims		May 2006 Initial Claims	May 2006 Total Claims
Terre Haute	1,229	9,717		1,116	8,243
INDIANA	25,352	218,064		27,040	223,984

## Bureau of Labor Statistics Reports...

U.S. workers are giving up on traditional employment in favor of alternative arrangements, with 20 million workers telecommuting and 10.3 million working as independent contractors, the United States Chamber of Commerce reports (Daily Labor Report, page A-7). In its report, titled "Work, Entrepreneurship, and Opportunity in 21st America," (online at [http://www.uschamber.com/publications/reports/0604entrepreneurial\\_workforce.htm](http://www.uschamber.com/publications/reports/0604entrepreneurial_workforce.htm)), the business group -- citing government estimates from the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics -- said there are about 10.3 million independent contractors in the United States, making up 7.4 percent of the U.S. workforce. Small business startups especially businesses founded by women and minorities, also are "increasing at an impressive pace," the group said. Citing BLS data, the chamber said there are 27 million workers on flextime, defined as able to work with a flexible schedule. The business group also counts among its tally of nontraditional workers an estimated 25 million part-time workers, 17 million workers engaged in direct selling for such entities as Avon and Amway, 10.2 million self-employed workers, and 18 million owners of sole proprietorships. Some of those workers, the group said, may belong to more than one of those categories.

Taking the family on vacation is going to cost you 5.4 percent more this year than it did last summer, according to the Automobile Association of America. On average, you can expect to spend an average of \$261 per day for food and lodging, writes Gerri Willis, [http://money.cnn.com/2006/05/05/pf/saving/willis\\_tips/index.htm](http://money.cnn.com/2006/05/05/pf/saving/willis_tips/index.htm). Right now you'll pay an average of \$141 per night for an hotel room. That's up 9 percent from last year. And popular destinations can cost far more. The most expensive state will be Hawaii. According to AAA, a family of four will pay \$599 per day for food and lodging. The per day cost in Nevada and New York will be well over \$300.

Seven state legislatures have raised their state's minimum wage this year, and efforts are underway in six states to put similar proposals on the November ballot, writes Charisse Jones, USA Today, May 10, page 3A. States are using legislation and ballot initiatives to do what Congress has not done since 1997, when it last increased the federal minimum wage to \$5.15 an hour. Twenty-one states have minimum wages above \$5.15. Joining the list this year are Maryland, Rhode Island, Michigan, Arkansas and Maine. West Virginia increased wages, but only for a limited set of workers. Ohio raised its minimum to match the federal wage. Nevada voters will decide in November whether to raise the state wage to \$6.15 an hour. Drives for similar initiatives are taking place in Arizona, Ohio, Colorado, Missouri and Montana. Last year, 1.9 million workers -- 2.5 percent of hourly earners -- earned \$5.15 or less, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Pay for millions of others is influenced by the wage.



### Research & Analysis has a new website ~

**Hoosiers by the Numbers**, operated by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. The site can be accessed at [www.hoosierdata.in.gov](http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov). The new site contains labor market data, statistics and trends compiled by the Department and the United States Department of Labor. The new web site is part of a major upgrade of the content and usability of the labor market information data the department regularly compiles on Indiana's workforce. It offers improved functionality in that users can more easily sort and rank data, can "grab" data in spreadsheet or text formats, and more easily make geographic comparisons. The data on the web site is used by economic development officials, researchers, policy-makers and other officials in a wide variety of economic development initiatives and community investment decisions.

### WAGE DEMAND INFORMATION

**Wage Demand** provides the number of applicants registered in CS3, as well as the annual and median wages that the applicants expect to be paid.

As of 8/6/2006

	Average Annual	Median Annual	Number of Applicants
*EGR 7	\$22,536	\$18,720	5,002
*Economic Growth Region (EGR) 7 includes Clay, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo counties.			

## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U)

### U.S. City Average

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unadjusted percent change to Jun 2006 from:

	<u>Jun 05</u>	<u>May 06</u>
All Items	4.3%	0.2%
Food/Beverages	2.2%	0.2%
Housing	4.2%	0.7%
Apparel	0.5%	-2.9%
Transportation	9.0%	-0.2%
Medical Care	4.1%	0.1%
Recreation	1.9%	0.0%
Education/Communication	2.7%	0.2%
Other Goods/Services	2.9%	0.4%



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### Serving...

Economic Growth Region 7: Clay, Parke, Putnam,  
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## APPLICANT POOL

AS OF 8/6/2006

Job Title	Number of Applicants Economic Growth Region 7
Cashiers, General	442
Administrative Assistants	275
Secretaries – Other	256
Receptionists/Information Clerks	339
File Clerks	315
Customer Service Reps - Utilities	233
General Office Clerks	452
Data Entry Keyers, Except Composing	263
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	208
Order Fillers – Wholesale/Retail Sales	213
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	230
Packaging/Filling Mach Operators	234
All Other Machine Operators	424
Assemblers (Factory work)	1,030
All Other Hand Workers	383
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	461
Other Hand Material Movers	217
Hand Packers & Packagers	452
Production Laborers	909
Production Helpers	268

\*The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between job applicants looking for work and employers looking for applicants to hire. **Applicant Pool** provides a numerical listing of the top jobs being sought by job applicants.



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